

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of		)
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	Daniel F. Justin et al.	)
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Serial No.:	10/749,332	) Art Unit
		) 3733
Filed:	December 30, 2003	)
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Confirmation No.:	9889	)
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For:	METHODS AND APPARATUS FOR FORMING A	)
	TUNNEL THROUGH A PROXIMAL END OF A TIBIA	)
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Examiner:	James L. Swiger III	)

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents  
PO Box 1450  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that the shortened statutory period which was set for responding to the Office Action dated October 10, 2006, in the above-identified patent application be extended for three-month until April 10, 2007.

Form PTO-2038 submitting Credit Card Payment in the amount of \$1,020.00 is enclosed herewith for payment of the fee associated with this Petition, as set forth in 37 CFR § 1.17. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fee or to credit any overpayment in connection with this Petition to Deposit Account No. 23-3178.

If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefore and charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. 23-3178.

Dated this 4<sup>th</sup> day of April 2007.

Respectfully submitted,

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